

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 62607 Agenda Number 24.

Meeting Date: 9/22/2016 Department: Neighborhood and Community Development

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a 12-month social services contract with CHILD, INC. to fund and administer the Early Head Start Child Care Program in an amount not to exceed \$84,928, with three 12-month extension options in amounts not to exceed \$84,928 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$339,712.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget of the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office. Funding is contingent on the release of Fiscal Year 2016 federal funds from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	August 4, 2016- Council approved the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Action Plan related to the allocation of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development grant funds.
For More Information:	Contact Rosie Truelove, Interim Director, 512-974-3064; or Fernando Hernandez-Garza, Neighborhood Development Program Manager, 512-974-3114.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	July 12, 2016 - Community Development Commission approved the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Action Plan recommendation
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

Council approval will provide continuation of existing child care services provided in the Early Head Start Child Care Program provided by Child, Inc. from October 1, 2016 - September 30, 2017.

The City's 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan notes the need for childcare assistance for low-income families. Infants and toddlers up to the age of three years old who participate in the Child, Inc. Early Head Start (EHS) program must be from very low-income families who are City residents. EHS provides an educational child development program that includes access to wrap-around services such as dental, medical, and nutrition services for the children and counseling, social services, and parent education and involvement for the parents.

NHCD hereby designates Child, Inc. as a subrecipient for the CDBG Early Head Start Child Care Program contract for fiscal year 2016-17, based upon their experience for more than 15 years, and their status as the only Head Start provider in the Austin area.

PERFORMANCE:

Related Departmental Goal

Provision: Social Services - Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors, and lifestyle among targeted populations.

Performance Measures

Outputs

Number of children provided direct child care services (unduplicated): 58.